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Sixty years is a long time. Since 1931, the paper has been under its present ownership; as long a spell as is twenty years, it only a third of the livetime of the paper.

We have subscribers who tell us they have been subscribing all these 60 years. That is truly remarkable. We appreciate old friends!

Opportunity knocks, and we pray that we may grow with Appomattox.

A BARGAIN ENGINEERED BY DIMAGGIO

(The Wall Street Journal)

Now you take Mr. Joseph DiMaggio. People who keep up with such things tell us that had he desired he could have continued next year his professional connection with the New York Yankees for $100,000. Instead, he decided to change his profession to that of a telecaster for a reported $50,000.

It's true Mr. DiMaggio will probably find his new work less arduous. He will only be working half a season, since he will broadcast only home games, and instead of running in the sun he can sit in the shade. Still, it does seem like quite a salary cut for a fellow to ask for. Fifty thousand dollars is still $50,000.

Or is it? With this nice new tax bill that's coming along with the happy new year, Mr. DiMaggio's slice for the government on $100,000 would be above $68,000—give or take a bit, and making no allowance for higher rates due to other income he might have. On his $50,000 he will have to pay the government only about $27,000 plus or minus a few bucks.

On that basis, if Mr. DiMaggio undertook his arduous labors for $100,000 he would have left for take home pay around $32,000. On his new $50,000 job he will take home about $23,000.

So what happened to that $50,000 salary cut? It's shrunk to a mere $9,000, and that sure ain't Sanford. The official price tag on Mr. DiMaggio's new easy chair may read $50,000, but he actually bought it for $9,000.

It's a curious business when a man can work for a take-home pay of $32,000, submit to a $50,000 salary cut and still take home $23,000. It looks like Mr. DiMaggio is even smarter than we thought. The only fellow who's outsmarted himself is Uncle Sam. The deal cost him $15,000.

A FINE RULE—BUT A LITTLE LATE

(Milwaukee Journal)

President Truman has endorsed a "no gifts from people doing business with government" policy for all federal employees.

The president thinks that the rule of the housing and home finance agency against favors, gifts, unusual loans and entertainment from influence seekers ought to apply to everyone with a government job.

It's a fine rule. And it's a rule that would have saved the president untold trouble, and served as a guidepost for scores of federal workers now in trouble, if he had applied it to freezers, mink coats and week-ends in Miam long ago.

NEW COLLEGE PATTERN

(The Atlanta Journal)

Long a whipping boy for the righteous, the South now has produced something in the way of education that the rest of the country envies to the point of imitation. It is regional planning and co-operation in education, especially in the fields of professional and graduate schools. It seeks to avoid expensive duplication if professional schools among the 14 participating states, and in a way combines the talents of graduate schools into a Southern university that transends all state lines.

FOOLS AND MONEY

(The Caribad, N. M., Current Argus)

Time was when a fool and his money were soon parted. Today it happens to everyone.

DOROTHY DIX

(Winchester Star)

Dorothy Dix is dead. Her column of advice to the lovelorn has been a fount of tears and a target for scorn over a period of 55 years. It has been a confidente, confessional and psychiatrist rolled into one amorphous whole. Grandmother, mayhap, turned to Dorothy Dix's column and read it through before she so much as noticed a gigantic page-one headline screaming "Maine Sunk!"

Wives of cabinet members were scanning it when President Wilson decided to make the world safe for democracy, and so were the cooks. Their counterparts of still another generation were reading it when President Roosevelt told Americans that the world was on fire and all they had to do was lend a neighbor a hose.

Dorothy Dix was an institution and she lasted like one. It is hard to realize that she is gone, or that she was 90 years old.

Dorothy Dix was not her real name, of course. The Elizabeth Meriwether of New Orleans who it for a nom de plume needed the measure of anonymity it gave her. Without it the world of lovelorn women would have beaten a path to her door—and beaten the door down. A woman who gets 2,000 letters a week needs a little privacy. Part of the secret of Dorothy Dix's success was that she lived and suffered and overcame difficulties worse than those that stumped many of her correspondents.

She was married at 18, to become Mrs. Gilmer. Her husband became an invalid. She nursed him and earned on her newspaper job, the reputation of being one of the best reporters in the country. Her advice to others came out of her own life, not out of books. It was as compassionate and as practical as she was.

How much genuine value it had is another question. Dorothy Dix was innocent of psychiatric knowledge, and she was sometime glib in condemning people or imputing motives she could only guess at. But she started before psychiatric's time; she talked a lot of common sense; she gave comfort where it was needed; she made her correspondents feel less lorn (abandoned, desolate, bereft, forlorn: Webster).

People who can that are the salt of the earth. There will never be enough of them.

Uncle Sam Says

It's just ten years ago since we began to Remember Pearl Harbor. Plenty has happened since then, but didn't the time go fast? Another ten years will go by just as quickly. Are you preparing to be better off then than you are now? One way is to invest part of your earnings now in U. S. Defense Bonds. Purchase them regularly through the Payroll Savings Plan where you work, or the Bond-A-Month Plan where you bank. In 20 years, they will return you 77 per cent more than your original investment.

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WOMAN'S WORLD

Proper Storage Space Provides For Efficient Housekeeping

By Erita Haley

DOES picking up your house before cleaning consume more time than the actual effort to scrub and polish? If you must say "yes" to this question, then you're probably not making proper use of space for storage.

Adding storage space to your home does not involve putting in an extra room, or making a basement or attic, or any such major work. It's making good use of space you already have, and much of this can be done with simple carpentry.

"A place for everything" is becoming one of the most important phases of building and homemaking. When you have a place for everything, this means that with everything in place, you have not only neatness and orderliness, but with little effort.

When you have to shift things from crowded drawers and shelves constantly or try to put stacks of things somewhere, out of the way, it may mean that you are accumulating too many things. However, it may also mean that you simply do not have adequate storage facilities for your possessions.

Check yourself on some of the common household problems: where does luggage go? What happens to extra bedding? Where do you put your keys? Are extra dishes in the way? Can you find pots and pans and other cooking utensils easily?

If your home does not now provide easy answers to the above as well as any others of which you can think, start solving the problem with proper storage. Many of the above difficulties can be answered with very simple filing

Use your empty walls . . .

and little work; other problems can be resolved with only slightly more work.

Use Built-Ins For Storage

Look around your home and see how much empty, unused wall space you have. Then look around at all the things you would like to put away. Put the two together and you come up with built-ins.

Cupboards as well as all sorts of devices can be installed into most of your rooms at little expense and at great saving to not only your possessions but to your disposition as well. Add to this the great saving in actual housekeeping and you have some idea what a small investment can do.

But just how does one go about deciding where and what the built-ins should be? This must be planned for the uses and needs each home has, but some illustrations may offer help.

For example, if linen storage is your main problem, check the walls of your bedroom and see if they're being fully used. Or, what about a hall that joins two bedrooms or is at the entrance of a bedroom?

Many of these walls can take several rows of shallow chests without crowding the room. If the room is larger, deeper chests can be used. These may be waist high or even higher depending upon

for cupboad storage cases.

how much space you need, as well as what will look right in the room in relation to its proportions and furnishings.

If you have to save space, there are many ways in which to do it. For example, do not have knobs on the chests for the drawers. These take several inches. Cutouts at the drawer fronts eliminate knobs and make them smaller and neater. Thus, they can really be blended into the wall as though they were actually built in when the house was constructed.

How to Use Unseen Space for Storage

Frequently you'll find that windows which do not come all the way to the floor, and most of them don't, leave wall space that can be pressed into storage cases. If you have such a space in the bedroom, and the bed or beds are set against this particular wall, place the cases right in back of the bed.

Storage cases can be low, but as long as they come to the floor and run all the way across the wall, there will be much space provided. Use these for blankets, pillows, linens or seasonal items. In children's rooms, these types of cases are excellent for putting away toys.

Tops of the cases can be used for radios, books and clocks. If desired, potted plants or interesting collections of various hobbies can be displayed on them.

No place for shoes in the bedroom, or not enough room? If you have wall space above a heating vent, convert this into a small, shoe closet. This can be done by slanting boards on which the shoes are placed, with horizontal molding strips attached to the boards to act as heel catchers holding the shoes to the tilted shelves.

Do you have a kitchen and breakfast nook built together? It's not only smart looking but also space providing to construct a narrow counter between the two units. The counter itself may be used to hold serving items as well as food.

Underneath, the counter top, shelves or niches can be constructed to hold table accessories, appliances, telephone, etc.

Wall space opposite the counter between breakfast nook and kitchen might also be used for cabinet or shelf space.

Create Orderliness In the Kitchen

Cupboards are natural furnishings to the kitchen, but there are still a great many kitchens with bare wall space that could be put to excellent use. Cupboards can and should surround all the main working centers to house all needed tools.

Not only is cupboard space essential, but when organized like a file, it will increase in usefulness. Cupboards surrounding the range or cooking area can be shaped to hold pots and pans of all sizes, so that you can pick the one you want without extracting it from a nest of pans.

Shaped partitions, often made of plywood, can be used for storing lids as well as shallow pans, trays and large platters. To be most efficient, make the partitions removable so they can be taken out for easy cleaning, as well as for changing the sizes of the particular "files" to take care of other pieces.

Drawers near the kitchen sink can also be made sectional so that utensils like forks and knives, mixing spoons, spatulas and pancake turners are not jumbled together in the drawer. Slotted holders placed in the drawers are excellent for knives, particularly, because they protect the cutting edge of the knife.

Sliding trays placed in many deep kitchen drawers automatically eliminates confusion and at the same time makes work quicker because you can pick out whichever piece you want quickly.

The trays in deep drawers can also be partitioned to hold small equipment in its own place and thus cut down on jumbled drawers.

Select Furniture For Storage Value

While you try to stretch wall space to cover storage needs, don't forget that furniture can help you in the same way. Much of the new furniture being made available is not only decorative, but it also has a great many storage features.

In selecting an occasional table, do not just expect the top to be of use. See that its base is a cabinet or a shelf or two which can be used for sewing boxes, magazines or books.

ATLANTIC FLYWAY COMMITTEE PROPOSED

C. R. Gutermuth, vice-president of the Wildlife Management Institute, has extended an invitation to the Northeastern Waterfowl Committee and to the Southeastern Waterfowl Committee to meet at the Hotel Statler in Washington, January 28 and 29 to discuss the unification of the two committees into a united Atlantic Flyway Committee.

With the tentative draft in a presentable form, a definite date has now been set for the joint meeting of the two waterfolw committees to discuss this vital and mutual problem. I. T. Quinn, executive director of the Virginia Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries; Chester Phelps, chief of the game division, and C. P. Gilchrist, Jr., waterfowl biologist, have accepted the invitation and will attend the meeting.

The Atlantic Flyway, encompassing Virginia and all of the Atlantic states from Maine to Florida, at the present time is dealt with in the north by the Northeastern Waterfowl Committee, and in the south by the Southeastern Waterfowl Committee, and it is of the utmost importance that these groups become united in their efforts dealing with the problems of waterfowl management, for wildfowl are migratory and cannot be dealth with on a local basis.

Four captured airmen were questioned by Russians for 14 days before they were turned over to Hungarian government, fliers report on release after ransom payment.

President orders a survey of U. S. health conditions.

Yugoslavia faces a financial deficit and looks to the West.

Shortages of oil for ships is new U. S. problem.

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Rocks, Dec. 31.- Christmas passed off quietly around here.

A large crowd was at church last Sunday night for the Christmas program.

Quite a few from the neighborhood spent Sunday at Charlotte Court House with Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Evans.

Mrs. D. W. Dinkins and son, Emmett, of Lynchburg and Miss Gertie Ranson, of Appomattox were attending Sunday Schools at Rocks last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Ranson and children, of Bristol, Tenn., arrived here Sunday to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cal Ranscn.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Dickerson and children and Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Roach and children spent a while yesterday with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Richardson and family, of Pamplin.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Roach and children and Lloyd Richardson visited Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Roach, of Lynchburg Christmas Eve night.

Mr. and Mrs. Toby E. Inge and Audrey Dale; Mr. and Mrs. Rinard Inge and Diane Byrd; Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Richardson and children, and Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Roach and children spent Christmas Day with Mrs. D. E. Inge.

We hear Mrs. R. C. Baldwin is ill again. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Mrs. James R. Taylor is not well either.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Martin and Donna Lee, of Greenbelt, Md. were visiting here during the holidays.

Friends are sorry to hear that Ted Almond is a patient at the Virginia Baptist Hospital. We hope he will soon be well.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn S. Martin are all smiles. "It's a fine baby girl."

Wedding bells were ringing again here last week.

Donald Roach and Miss Mann, of Evergreen were married on Saturday night.

On Monday night, Christmas Eve, we hear that Winston Ranson got young people.

Mr. and Mrs. Julian White and family are moving this week to Madisonville.

Jerrell Holden spent a few days last week with his mother in Roanoke.

Medical School Enrollments Are Setting New Records

Medical schools of the United States in the last year took further steps to protect the future health of the nation by enrolling the largest number of students in their history.

This was revealed in the 51st annual report on medical education in the United States and Canada, compiled by the Council on Medical Education and Hospitals of the American Medical Association. The report was prepared by Dr. Donald G. Anderson of Chicago, secretary of the council, and his aides, Dr. Francis R. Manlove and Mrs. Anne Tipner.

A total of 26,191 students were enrolled in 79 approved schools in the United States for the 1950-51 academic year. This compares with the previous high record of 25,103 in the year before, an increase of 1,088 (4.1%). Since 1941, when there was an enrollment of 21,379 students in 77 approved schools, the increase has been 4,812 (22.5%).

The report also disclosed that the current academic year will see a continuation of this increase in medical education because of the enrollment of a record freshman class. It is estimated that about 7,400 new students will enter medical schools, compared with the previous record of 7,182 a year ago.

Also important from a future health protection standpoint was a survey which showed plans were under way in many states for the opening of additional medical schools and for the expansion of existing facilities.

"Significant progress is being made toward resolving the financial problems of the medical schools," the report also said. "Funds available to the schools during 1951-52 will total approximately $109,630,000, which represents an increase of $36,000,000 in the last four years.

Records show that the coal industry had a good year in Virginia during 1954.

Dozen ships battered by a severe storm in Atlantic.

Many Germans distrust the U. S., says Englishman who lived in Bonn.

Only one lynching was listed in 1951.

Unrest in key industries points to some business uncertainty as to production levels in 1952.

Enemy still seeks to augment concessions from Allies in Korea.

Public savings are believed to be at record high level.

Secretary Acheson warns that U. S. must stay prepared.

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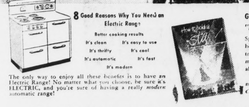

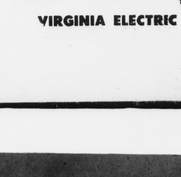

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